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PRESS RELEASE

STRONG-ARM ROBBERY ARREST

DATE: January 8, 2017
LOCATION: Kohl's, 1150 Great Mall Drive
CASE #: 17-008-117
SUSPECT #1: Mario Christopher Washington, 41-year-old transient from Berkeley

On January 8, 2017, at approximately 5:09 P.M., the Milpitas Police Department received a call of a theft that just occurred at Kohl's at the Great Mall of the Bay Area. A 22-year-old asset protection employee at Kohl's tried to stop a man for shoplifting after he left the store. However, once contacted outside the store, the man shoved her and ran away with several items of clothing. The employee provided a description of the man and the location he ran towards.

The first officer arrived in less than two (2) minutes, and additional officers searched the area. An officer saw a man hiding among cars parked on Hammond Way, which is north of the Great Mall of the Bay Area, and the man matched the description provided by the employee. The man, later identified as Mario Washington, was arrested for the strong-arm robbery. A search of his backpack revealed the stolen clothing and drug paraphernalia. He was on Post Release Community Supervision (PRCS) in Alameda County, and he had an active felony warrant from the Oakland Police Department for failing to comply with the terms of PRCS. He was booked into the Santa Clara County Main Jail for robbery, possession of drug paraphernalia, and the felony warrant.

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